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SUBJECT: W/W: THEODORE ATHANASIOU

FOR: HONORABLE THOMAS J. MCINTYRE

UNITED STATES SENATE

WASHINGTON, D.C.

REF: YOUR COMMERCIAL TELEGRAM

1. EMBASSY SUCCEEDED IN CONTACTING MR. ATHANASIOU IN KARDITSA, WITH ASSISTANCE OF LOCAL POLICE AUTHORITIES. HE STATED THAT FORMER WIFE, PRESENTLY IN GREECE, HAS ACCUSED HIM OF BIGAMY AND HAS TAKEN CASE TO COURT. CONSEQUENTLY, DISTRICT ATTORNEY ISSUED ORDER PROHIBITING HIS EXIT FROM GREECE. HIS GREEK PASSPORT WAS WITHHELD BY PASSPORT CONTROL OFFICIALS AT ATHENS AIRPORT PENDING OUTCOME OF TRIAL, DATE OF WHICH NOT SCHEDULED AS YET. SUBJECT TOLD BY HIS ATTORNEY THAT TRIAL MIGHT TAKE PLACE WITHIN NEXT TWO MONTHS.

2. ABOVE CASE INVOLVING LITIGATION BETWEEN TWO GREEK CITIZENS IS A MATTER ENTIRELY WITHIN THE JURISDICTION OF GREEK AUTHORITIES AND ONE IN WHICH EMBASSY CANNOT APPROPRIATELY INTERVENE. BY REGULATION PROTECTIVE SERVICES CAN ONLY BE EXTENDED TO AMERICAN CITIZENS. EMBASSY WILL, HOWEVER, INFORM YOU OF DEVELOPMENTS.

AMERICAN EMBASSY

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